

House Bill 1140 (AS PASSED HOUSE AND SENATE)

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A BILL TO BE ENTITLED  
AN ACT

1 To amend an Act to provide for additional judges for the superior courts of the Alcovy,  
2 Atlanta, and Brunswick judicial circuits, approved May 12, 2008 (Ga. L. 2008, p. 491), so  
3 as to change the dates of the terms of office of the initial appointees; to provide for related  
4 matters; to provide for an effective date; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

5 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF GEORGIA:

6 **SECTION 1.**

7 An Act to provide for additional judges for the superior courts of the Alcovy, Atlanta, and  
8 Brunswick judicial circuits, approved May 12, 2008 (Ga. L. 2008, p. 491), is amended by  
9 revising Section 2-2 as follows:

10 "SECTION 2-2.

11 The additional judge of the superior courts of the Alcovy Judicial Circuit shall be appointed  
12 by the Governor for a term beginning July 1, 2010, and expiring December 31, 2012, and  
13 until his or her successor is elected and qualified. At the general election to be held in  
14 2012, there shall be elected a successor to the first additional judge appointed as provided  
15 for in this Act, and he or she shall take office on the first day of January, 2013, and serve  
16 for a term of office of four years and until his or her successor is duly elected and qualified.  
17 All subsequent successors to such judge shall be elected at the general election conducted  
18 in the year in which the term of office shall expire for a term of four years and until his or  
19 her successor is duly elected and qualified. Said elections shall be held and conducted as  
20 is now or may hereafter be provided by law for the election of judges of the superior courts  
21 of the State of Georgia."

22 **SECTION 2.**

23 Said Act is further amended by revising Section 3-2 as follows:

24 "SECTION 3-2.

25 The additional judge of the Atlanta Judicial Circuit hall be appointed by the Governor for  
26 a term beginning July 1, 2010, and expiring December 31, 2012, and until his or her  
27 successor is elected and qualified. At the general election to be held in 2012, there shall  
28 be elected a successor to the first additional judge appointed as provided for in this Act, and  
29 he or she shall take office on the first day of January, 2013, and serve for a term of office  
30 of four years and until his or her successor is duly elected and qualified. All subsequent  
31 successors to such judge shall be elected at the general election conducted in the year in  
32 which the term of office shall expire for a term of four years and until his or her successor  
33 is duly elected and qualified. Said elections shall be held and conducted as is now or may  
34 hereafter be provided by law for the election of judges of the superior courts of the State  
35 of Georgia."

36 **SECTION 3.**

37 Said Act is further amended by revising Section 4-2 as follows:

38 "SECTION 4-2.

39 The additional judge of the Brunswick Judicial Circuit hall be appointed by the Governor  
40 for a term beginning July 1, 2010, and expiring December 31, 2012, and until his or her  
41 successor is elected and qualified. At the general election to be held in 2012, there shall  
42 be elected a successor to the first additional judge appointed as provided for in this Act, and  
43 he or she shall take office on the first day of January, 2013, and serve for a term of office  
44 of four years and until his or her successor is duly elected and qualified. All subsequent  
45 successors to such judge shall be elected at the general election conducted in the year in  
46 which the term of office shall expire for a term of four years and until his or her successor  
47 is duly elected and qualified. Said elections shall be held and conducted as is now or may  
48 hereafter be provided by law for the election of judges of the superior courts of the State  
49 of Georgia."

50 **SECTION 4.**

51 This Act shall become effective upon its approval by the Governor or upon its becoming law  
52 without such approval.

53 **SECTION 5.**

54 All laws and parts of laws in conflict with this Act are repealed.